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**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Docket No: Q54188

Marco PIVA, et al.

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Appln. No.: 09/320,643

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For: AN APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR READING AN OPTICAL CODE

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.312**

**MAIL STOP ISSUE FEE**

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.312, please amend the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages.

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**COMMENTS ON STATEMENT FOR REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

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Sir:

In the Statement of Reasons for Allowance in the Notice of Allowance, the Examiner recites various features of the allowed claims. Applicant submits that the recited features are not common to all of the allowed claims. Accordingly, the claims should not be construed to be limited by the Examiner's comments.

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